

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In this amendment, claims 1, 9, 15, 21, and 24 are amended. No claims are canceled or added.

Claim objection

Claim 24 was objected to because of an informality regarding the distinction of the 1 and 0 being a "logic 1" or "binary 1". Claim 24 has been amended to refer to "a first value" and a "clear value", and reference to 1 or 0 has been removed. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of this objection.

Rejection under 35 USC § 112, indefiniteness

Claims 1, 9, 15, and 21 are rejected under 35 USC § 112, ¶ 2, as being indefinite. These claims have been amended as suggested by the Examiner. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of this objection.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-576-0200.

Respectfully submitted,



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